

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Retail Access Optimization Initiative

Docket No. N2011-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING ON MOTION FOR
LATE INTERVENTION OF CENTER FOR STUDY OF RESPONSIVE LAW
AND OTHER PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(Issued August 29, 2011)

On August 26, 2011, the Center for Study of Responsive Law (CSRL) filed a motion for late acceptance of its notice of intervention.¹ The Motion notes that CSRL seeks to intervene to represent consumer and civic interests. *Id.* CSRL maintains that no party will be prejudiced by the late filing and the proceeding will not be delayed. *Id.* CSRL simultaneously promulgated discovery on the Postal Service.²

There is an abbreviated procedural schedule in place in this docket, and expediting the ruling on CSRL's motion for late intervention for the purpose of adhering to that abbreviated schedule is appropriate.

Subject to the Postal Service's opportunity to object pursuant to rule 3001.20a, and CSRL's compliance with the procedural schedule, the Motion is granted.

¹ Motion of the Center for Study of Responsive Law for Late Filing of Notice of Intervention, August 26, 2011 (Motion).

² See Interrogatories of the Center for Study of Responsive Law to the United States Postal Service CSRL/USPS-1-13, August 26, 2011.

RULING

The Motion of the Center for Study of Responsive Law for Late Filing of Notice of Intervention, filed August 26, 2011, is granted subject to the Postal Service's right to object pursuant to rule 3001.20a.

Ruth Y. Goldway
Presiding Officer